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Minutes of the House Standing Committee  
on  
Military and Veteran Affairs

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Tuesday, March 14, 2017

12:00 Noon

Room 327 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs was called to order by Representative Jason Wentworth, Chair.

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The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives Wentworth, Graves, Hughes, Barrett, Glenn, Albert, Hoitenga, Johnson, Sabo, Brinks, Byrd, Elder and Jones. (13/13)**  
The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

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The Chair laid before the committee the minutes of March 7, 2017 as printed.

**Representative Albert moved to adopt the minutes of March 7, 2017, as printed.**  
**There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; the minutes were adopted as printed.**

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The Chair laid before the committee a presentation on the Michigan Youth Challenge Academy.

Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Jefferey R. Connell, Director of the Michigan Youth Challenge Academy-Michigan National Guard in the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, introduced Robert Vaught, Deputy Director of the Michigan Youth Challenge Academy-Michigan National Guard in the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. Director Connell explained the Youth Challenge's program to the committee members. Questions from a member followed. A copy of his handouts are attached to the minutes.

Director Connell introduced Cadet Bully from Clio, Michigan and Cadet Harris from Detroit, Michigan, who testified about being in the program for two months. Questions followed.

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There being no other business before the committee; **Representative Barrett moved to adjourn the meeting.**

The motion prevailed, the time being 12:31 p.m.  
The Chair declared the Committee adjourned.

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Jason Wentworth, Chair  
House Standing Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs

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Joy Brewer, Committee Clerk

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Date approved by the committee